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FOOTE ON BENTON. From the Reminiscences of Henry S. Foote,

in the Washington Chronicle. A scene occurred in the Senate between Mr. Benton and myself, which I should here briefly explain. In the summer of 1850, while Mr. Calhoun's remains were being transported from Washington to South Carolina, but before they had left Washington, Mr. Benton rose up one morning and made, as I understood them, some very disrespectful allusions to the illustrious deceased. I stepped to the chair of Mr. Butler, Mr. Calhoun's own Senatorial colleague, and urged him to say something in response. He seemed not exactly to understand the import of Mr. Benton's words, and therefore responded to him in a very confused and ineffective manner. I rose up to subjoin one or two observations in a style, as I am willing to acknowledge, not a little animated and indignant. Mr. Benton rose up suddenly from his chair which was some distance from mine, making at the time a prodigious noise, and advanced rapidly in the direction of my position, which was one of the outer circle of seats, and seemed to be aiming to get behind me whilst I was speaking, in order to strike me when in this unprotected attitude. I had been warned by Senator Pratt only a day or two before that he had publicly threatened to do me violence in the Senate if I ever undertook to allude to him again, and I had deemed it expedient to put on arms for my own defence. I was wearing at the moment a Colt's revolver, which I certainly intended to use should it become necessary. On drawing it, I took a step or two to the right, which carried me to the central aisle of the Senate. I then turned toward the central door of the chamber, intending certainly if Mr. Benton should pass the cor-

her near my seat and advance a single step down the aisle I was standing in, after having warned him of my intention, to fire upon him at once, conceiving that in shooting in the direction of the central door I should be able to avoid doing injury to any one else; for I undoubtedly did not intend to succumb to his violeace while in the decorous performance of my Senatorial duties. When Mr. Benton saw I was armed, he paused, and in a second or two, allowed Governor Dodge, the venerable Senater from Wisconsin, to conduct him to his chair. Before he had fairly reseated himself, Mr. Dickenson, of New York, asked me for my pistol, which I willingly handed him. Then it was that Mr. Benton broke out again vociferously, exclaiming, "Let the assassin shoot!" at the same time theatrically tearing open his vest. I made a short explanation of my conduct to the Senate, after which the affair was referred to a special committee, whose report and the evidence annexed thereto occupy one large printed volume, in which future generations

will find a huge and somewhat incongruous mass of facts of a very ludicrous and interesting character. I will close this reminiscence with a somewhat curious anecdote: A few days after the two Senators from California, Messrs. Gwin and Fremont, were admitted to the seats which they had been quietly claiming for several mouths, the latter, Mr. Fremont, introduced several bills, evidently drawn by Mr. Benton, his father-in-law, having relation to important lecal concerns in California, and of a nature, as I thought, if allowed to pass, to do very great detriment to valuable national interests in that quarter. Several old and valued friends of mine in California, and among these Judge Shattuck, had warned me in a very serious manner against these very movements. Before taking any decided step in the matter. I counseled with my old and valued friend, Dr. Wilham M. Gwin, whom I knew from more than twenty years' acquaintance and familiar intercourse would be sure to give me correct information. The Doctor, in very concise and deeided language, confirmed all that Judge Shattuck had said on this subject, and stated that he should himself be disposed to do what he could to defeat these schemes of Colonel Fremout, but for the fact that he was his colleague, and he was desirous of cultivating harmony with him as far as he honorably could. 1 opposed each of these bills, and they were defeated. On the last night of the Senatorial session, when the general appropriation bill was on its passage, a renewed attempt was made on the part of Colonel Fremont, by an tmendment to this bill which he introduced, to attain the very objects, or a portion thereof, or the purpose of realizing which his separate had been introduced. Amid the excitewent and confussion of the moment this amend-Tent was very near passing. No one had preented as yet any opposition to it when I got mand explained its true character, and urged Senators to aid me in defeating it. The amendment was voted down, and presently, afterward the general appropriation bill passed; after which, a motion was made to go into executive session, which was carried. Just as I was putting my papers back into my drawer Colonel Fremont appreached, and said, in a very quite manner, that he wished to speak with me outside the Senate. I knew very well

bever been even introduced to this gentleman, as in truth I never have yet been. I replied to him that I would join him immediately: which I did. When we got together, outside the central door of the hall, he turned to me and said,

what this meant; for before this time I had

Col. Benton is not at all pleased with your Conduct this evening," "Ah!" said I; "this is truly unfortunate, as I have been laboring assiduously to concilate this father-in-law of fours for several years."

"Upon growing a little excited, he said I do not myself like the manner in which you have been intermeddling with my California affairs."
I should like to know," (I responded,) "what California affairs you can possibly have to attend to here which I, as a Senator from the

State of Mississippi, may not properly meddle all other goods in cheapness. With "I consider the state of Mississippi, may not properly meddle all other goods in cheapness. With "I consider the state of Mississippi, may not properly meddle all other goods in cheapness. with." I continued thus, substantially: "Col. Fremont, I beg to say to you that you have waked up the wrong passenger. While I am to the Senate I shall act a fearless and independent part regardless whom it may offend save my own constituents. save my own constituents." To this he answered; "You are not a gentleman." So soon as the words were uttered I struck him. Just as he was proceeding to return the blow, Senators
Clarke and Mangum came hastily through the folding doors of the Senate, and prevented any further hostilisian In about an hour a gentleman from New A MERICAN SARDINES for sale by J. C. MILBURN. further hostilities.

Jersey, who was afterward Governor of that State, brought me rather a strangely word note-from Colonel Fremout, which I recognized as virtually a challenge to the field of honor. I wrote a reply immediately that I would proceed to Baltimore early in the morning and send an acceptance from that place. Before the Senate adjourned Messrs. Gwin, Jones and Dodge, of that body, waited upon me and informed me that they were just from Colonel Benton's residence, where they had demanded that this affair should proceed no further, and urged that I should consent to withdraw my note in order that Colonel Fremont might be able to withdraw his. To this I very promptly consented. I proceeded to the State of Mississippi next morning. In a few days thereafter my honored and truly chivalrous friend, the Hon. Reverdy Johnson, transmitted me a copy of a very denunciatory hand-bill just issued by Colonel Fremont, of which Colonel Benton was himself undoubtedly the author, and urged me under all the circumstances existing to take no notice whatever thereof. I followed his advice.

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